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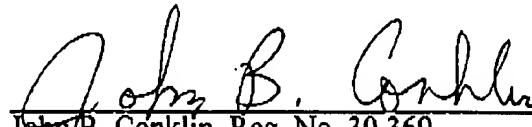
REQUEST FOR INTERVIEW AFTER FINAL MPEP 713.09

Dear Examiner Beatriz Prieto:

Pursuant to 713.09 MPEP, applicants request an interview after final rejection. The intended purpose of the interview is to allow the applicants to better understand the grounds for claim rejections. Specifically, claims 24-33 are directed to the concepts of managing a large number of data sources, selecting a subset of all data sources, routing the subset for further processing. This aspect of the invention is described, for example, at page 9, line 5 to line 19, of the specification. Applicants would appreciate clarification of the rejection with respect to these concepts as they are allegedly found in the prior art.

This clarification will enable applicants' attorneys to better advise the applicants on an appropriate response that best advances the prosecution of this application for a patent.

Respectfully submitted,


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